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<u>AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SEC</u> Cereel 9/2CE

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final Office Action dated October 3, 2005 (Paper No: 06022005), for which a response is due on January 3, 2006. This response is filed within two months of the issuance of the final Office Action and therefore qualifies for expedited review. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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